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Arbor Week- Tree, Tea & Talk

The Lewiston-Auburn Community Forest Board, the Woman's Literary Union of Androscoggin County, and the City of Auburn invite the community to celebrate Arbor Week on Tuesday, May 19th at 1:30pm for TREE, TEA, & TALK. The program will be presented at WLU's headquarters- the Foss Mansion, 19 Elm Street, Auburn. Doors open at 1:00pm, program begins at 1:45pm.



Mr. Stephen Murch, City of Lewiston's arborist and a member of the LACFB, will be the featured speaker. Experienced in the selection, care and maintenance of trees on both private and public property, he will provide useful tips to the audience.

Tea and refreshments will be provided by the Woman's Literary Union. Guests are welcome to come a little early to enjoy exploring the lovely Foss Mansion. WLU has a history of providing trees to our local community. A brief history of this work and its purpose will be presented as part of the program.

There is no charge to attend, but a donation box will be available. The funds collected will be used for the Foss Mansion Restoration Project.

The City of Auburn and the Lewiston-Auburn Community Forest Board have a full week of activities celebrating Arbor Week in Maine. The fun and informative events hope to inspire citizens to plant, nurture, and celebrate trees. According to the Arbor Day Foundation, "Trees can add value to your home, help cool your home and neighborhood, break the cold winds to lower your heating costs, and provide food for wildlife."

Both Auburn and Lewiston are recognized as Tree City, USA community for 12 years. "To exist as a nation, to prosper as a state, and to live as a people, we must have trees." *Theodore Roosevelt*

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